

PSX Example Mission

MISSION NAME : LAVA RIVERS

MISSION OBJECTIVE:

Due to an unexpected volcanic eruption, a RR Small Mobile Laser Platform (MLP) has been left stranded in a dangerous area of the planet. It is surrounded by rivers of lava although it is on solid ground. There have been reports of Lava RM activity in the area and they may attack the stranded small MLP. As an expert RR pilot you must rescue the small MLP and drive it back to the teleport pad. You will need to collect 10 crystals to power the teleport pad to teleport the small MLP.

LEVEL DESIGN:



KEY:

Lava
Open Area
Water
Crystal Deposit
Dynamite Deposit
Soft rock (easily drillable)
Hard rock (needs dynamite to blast it)
Hidden Cavern (these may contain enemies)

- 1 The initial position of the Rock Raider and the Teleportation Unit
- 2 The initial position of the Small Digger
- 3 The initial position of the Tunnel Transporter
- 4 The initial position of the Stranded Mobile Laser Platform (MLP)

Game Play Solutions:

There are several strategies that can win this level.

Strategy 1

This approach involves using the Rock Raider to drill his way all the way to the small MLP and then use it to drive back to the Teleport Unit. This method is almost impossible due to the length of time it takes the RR to dig through all that rock and also due to the fact that he may be attacked by Rock Monsters or other enemies lurking in the hidden caverns.

Strategy 2

This approach involves the Rock Raider manually tunnelling to the nearby small digger and then using this to drill his way to the small MLP and then use it to drive back to the Teleport Unit. This method is difficult due to the length of time it takes the small digger to dig through all that rock and also due to the fact that the small digger may be attacked by Rock Monsters or other enemies lurking in the hidden caverns. Since the small digger has very little defence capability, it will be forced to rely on speed to escape any attacks.

Strategy 3

This approach involves the Rock Raider manually tunnelling to the nearby small digger and then using this to drill his way to the Tunnel Transporter. Once the RR gets into the Tunnel Transporter he uses this to fly to one of the lakes and scoop up water. The pilot then flies and hovers over the molten rivers of lava and drops the water onto it. This cools and solidifies the lava forming a bridge.

This now means that the Tunnel Transporter can land near the small MLP and then use it to drive back to the Teleport Unit, laser drilling and defending against enemies with it's laser turret. This method is the fastest, although choosing the best route will be the main decisive factor for overall success.

Hints and Tips

1. Use the dynamite to blast away any hard rock deposits
2. Keep an eye on the countdown timer and vary your strategy accordingly
3. Avoid conflict with enemies. Otherwise you may sustain too much damage.
4. Do not leave vehicles that you wish to use again, unattended for too long as they may be prone to enemy attack.
5. Collect nearby crystals as you progress.